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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Richard GRIFFITHS et

Serial No. 08/973,363

Filed December 4, 1997

Group Art Unit 1632

Examiner R. Schnizer

AVIAN CHD GENES AND THEIR USE IN METHODS FOR SEX IDENTIFICATION IN BIRDS

## **AMENDMENT**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C.

Sir:

Responsive to the Official Action dated May 28, 1999, the time for responding thereto being extended for five months in accordance with a petition for extension submitted concurrently herewith, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

## IN THE SPECIFICATION

Page 1, line 5, delete in its entirety and replace with

-- Background of the Invention

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1. Field of the Invention --;

between lines 13-14, insert the following sentence --

132 2. Description of Related Art --.

Page 4, line 1, delete in its entirety and replace with --

13 Summary of the Invention --.

Page 5, between lines 22-23, insert the following:

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